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For : A KIT FOR DIAGNOSING PULP EXPOSURE AND A PROBE SYRINGE

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111
IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MAY 23, 2007**

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Service Window, Mail Stop **Amendment**
Randolph Building
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 23, 2007, which sets a three-month shortened statutory period for response until August 23, 2007.

Applicants note that this response is being filed prior to expiration of the three month shortened statutory period for response, whereby an extension of time should not be necessary to maintain the pendency of the application. However, if any extension of time is required to maintain pendency of the application, this is an express request for any required extension of time, and authorization to charge any required fee to maintain the pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Entry of the following amendment and reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of record are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.